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# Welcome to the University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy.

## What sets the University of Chicago apart?

We lead with a focus on inquiry and a commitment to impact. We empower individuals to challenge conventional thinking in pursuit of original ideas.

UChicago research has led to revolutionary theories of economics and tools to effect social change. In all we do, we are driven to dig deeper, push further, and ask bigger questions—and to leverage our knowledge to enrich all human life.

# 92

Nobel Laureates affiliated with the University, including six Nobel Prize winners currently on faculty at UChicago

# 140+

Interdisciplinary Research Centers and Institutes

# 100+

Programs, initiatives, and partnerships in over 48 nations and on every continent





## Chicago is: The Windy City. The City of Big Shoulders. The City that Works.

Chicago is known by many names but its spirit is singular. One of the great American cities and the largest city in the Midwest, Chicago offers all the perks of an international metropolis.

And the University of Chicago campus, with its dramatic mixture of Gothic and Postmodern architecture, its world-famous Frank Lloyd Wright home, quirky student-run cafés, and more Nobel Prize winners than just about anywhere else in the world, is the setting for your next big idea.

### CHICAGO HIGHLIGHTS

American Writers Museum  
The 606 / Bloomingdale Trail  
Center for Intuitive and Outsider Art  
Bahá'í Temple  
The Plant vertical farm  
Design Museum of Chicago  
National Museum of Mexican Art  
Garfield Park Conservatory  
River cruise architecture tours  
The Second City comedy club

### TO-DO LIST

Cubs or White Sox game  
Lakefront beach barbecue  
Free music and movies in Millennium Park  
Live jazz at the Green Mill  
Free contemporary art exhibitions at Hyde Park Art Center  
Talks and exhibitions at the DuSable Museum for African American History







The Keller Center is setting the standard for **SUSTAINABLE DESIGN** on UChicago's campus and among policy schools around the globe, reflecting Harris' commitment to policy impact and civic engagement while accommodating the School's substantial growth.

#### SUSTAINABLE DESIGN CERTIFICATIONS



**LIVING  
BUILDING  
CHALLENGE**  
PETAL CERTIFIED



## **The Keller Center: UChicago's Home of Public Policy**

**Now more than ever, in every sector, the world needs truth-seekers, thoughtful leaders, and policy innovators.**

Opened in 2019, the Keller Center offers a world-class destination for students, scholars, and civic leaders from around the globe to come together in fostering collaboration, catalyzing idea exchange, facilitating innovative policy research, and empowering people to drive social impact in Chicago and around the world.

# Turn your passion for doing good into measurable social impact.

For more than 30 years, the University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy has been a driving force for rigorous thinking and evidence-based approaches to address the world's most important problems.



## Harris Fast Facts

54

full-time  
faculty members

18

centers, institutes,  
and urban labs

#3

ranked for  
policy analysis\*

9

degree programs,  
plus joint degrees

3,500+

alumni  
worldwide

12

certificate  
programs

\*U.S. News & World Report, 2019



# Interested in a specific policy field?

We've got you covered.



# From global conflict to urban development, Harris and the University of Chicago offer a path for you to pursue whichever field you want to explore.

You'll work with our world-class faculty whose innovative research is driving change every day.

Students enrolled in the Master of Public Policy program can take up to six electives outside of Harris —truly seizing all that UChicago has to offer. Specialized certificate programs enable you to engage more deeply with a topic of interest and demonstrate expertise in a policy area to employers.

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## Top Policy Areas



**ECONOMIC & FISCAL**



**HEALTH**



**FINANCE & TRADE**



**ENERGY**



“The reason I came to Chicago, and Harris in particular, is because this is the richest, densest, most incredible intellectual community in the world. I’ve taught or gone to some of the best universities on the planet, and I’ve never been anywhere like this before.”

**CHRIS BLATTMAN**

Ramalee E. Pearson Professor of Global Conflict Studies



“By studying public policy, you can equip yourself with the necessary tools and methods to analyze important issues and then come up with effective solutions for the critical problems that face society today.”

**ANJALI ADUKIA**

Assistant Professor





## Child Development and Education

The **Center for Human Potential and Public Policy (CHPPP)** aims to understand the forces driving inequality of opportunity for children and to develop interventions to close the gaps in cognitive and non-cognitive skills between economically advantaged and disadvantaged children.

The **Behavioral Insights and Parenting Lab** at CHPPP studies the parental investments that promote children's success and how behavioral tools can leverage these investments to increase their return.

### NOTABLE FACULTY

#### Steven Durlauf

Steans Professor in Educational Policy

#### Ariel Kalil

Director of the Center for Human Potential and Public Policy; Co-Director, Behavioral Insights and Parenting (BIP) Lab

#### Susan Mayer

Professor Emeritus

### ALUMNI INCLUDE

#### Alejandra Meraz Velasco, MPP'00

Former Superintendent of Todos Pela Educação and Consultant to State Secretariat of Education of São Paulo

#### Michael Shaver, MPP'96

President and CEO, Children's Home Society of Florida

#### Nancy Staudt, PhD'10

Dean, Washington University Law School

## Data Science and Data Analytics

A collaboration between Harris and the Computation Institute, the **Center for Data Science and Public Policy** brings together experts in data science and public policy to conduct research and create computational and data-driven solutions to large-scale social problems.

The **Policy Analytics Initiative** promotes data-informed policy decision-making and aims to accelerate the use of data analytics in public policy.

The **Certificate in Data Analytics** enables you to harness the power of machine learning and acquire sought-after skills.

### NOTABLE FACULTY

#### Dan Black

Professor

#### Brett Goldstein

Senior Fellow, Special Advisor for Urban Science; Senior Advisor to The Pearson Institute

#### Guillaume Pouliot

Assistant Professor

### ALUMNI INCLUDE

#### Kevin Hartman, MBA'98, MPP'98

Head of Analytics, Google

#### Hilarie Koplow-McAdams, AM'87

Venture Partner, New Enterprise Associates

#### Andrew McMahon, MPP'09

Partner, Ridgeline  
Board Advisor, Dcode





## Economic Policy

The **Center for Economic Policy's** mission is to educate students on financial markets and securities; show them an integrated view of how these markets interact in a general equilibrium context; and give them the economic tools to analyze the regulatory and legal framework in which financial markets operate.

The **Certificate in Economic Policy** provides you strong economic training, technical skills, and an understanding of financial markets.

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### NOTABLE FACULTY

#### James Heckman

Henry Schultz Distinguished Service Professor, Economics and the College; Affiliate Professor; Director, Center for Social Program Evaluation

#### Damon Jones

Associate Professor

### ALUMNI INCLUDE

#### Kandie Alter, MPP'06

Assistant Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago's Payments Policy Group

#### María Méndez, MPP'09

Economist, International Monetary Fund (IMF)

#### Thomaz Srougi, MPP/MBA'04

Founder & CEO, dr.consulta (São Paulo, Brazil)

## Energy and Environmental Policy

The **Energy Policy Institute at the University of Chicago (EPIC)** is an interdisciplinary research and training institute focused on the economic and social consequences of energy policies. It is a joint initiative of Harris Public Policy, the Social Sciences Division, and the University of Chicago Booth School of Business.

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### NOTABLE FACULTY

#### Michael Greenstone

Milton Friedman Professor in Economics and the College; Director, Becker Friedman Institute; Director, Energy Policy Institute at Chicago (EPIC)

#### Koichiro Ito

Associate Professor

#### Ryan Kellogg

Professor; Deputy Dean for Academic Programs

#### Robert Rosner

William E. Wrather Distinguished Service Professor in the departments of Astronomy & Astrophysics and Physics; Enrico Fermi Institute

### ALUMNI INCLUDE

#### Mudassar Imran, AM'80, AM'92 (SSD)

Former Sr. Energy Economist, World Bank

#### David Okada, AM'93

Sr. Manager, Business Core & Finance Programs, Southern California Edison

#### Matt Turner, AM'82

Professor of Geology at UW Madison





## Healthcare

The **Certificate in Health Administration and Policy** focuses on how to guide healthcare organizations through various economic, ethical, and social issues, as well as the financial demands of the complex field.

The program is offered as part of the Harris Public Policy degree through the **UChicago School of Social Service Administration's Graduate Program in Health Administration and Policy (GPHAP)**.

There is an optional concentration in global health and the program includes a pathway to a paid summer internship.

### NOTABLE FACULTY

#### Katherine Baicker

Dean, Emmett Dedmon Professor

#### David O. Meltzer, PhD'92, MD'93

Chief of the Section of Hospital Medicine; Director of the Center for Health and the Social Sciences; Chair of the Committee on Clinical and Translational Science; Professor, Department of Medicine; affiliated faculty at Harris and the Department of Economics

### ALUMNI INCLUDE

#### Sandeep Ajuja, MPP'06

CEO & Co-Founder, Operation ASHA

#### Jason Helgeson, MPP'95

Chief Solutions Officer, Helgeson Solutions Group

#### Rekha Ramesh, MPP'99

Executive Director, Head of Global Public Policy, Gilead Sciences

## International Development

The **Pearson Institute for the Study and Resolution of Global Conflicts** and the Pearson Global Forum are the first of their kind dedicated solely to the study and resolution of global conflicts.

The **Certificate in International Development**, offered with The Pearson Institute, focuses on comparative development, political economy, and applied methodology.

The **Certificate in Global Conflict Studies**, offered with The Pearson Institute, engages in analysis of how data-driven solutions can be applied toward issues that global conflicts present.

### NOTABLE FACULTY

#### Chris Blattman

Ramalee E. Pearson Professor of Global Conflict Studies

#### Oeindrila Dube

Phillip K. Pearson Professor of Global Conflict Studies

#### James Robinson

The Reverend Dr. Richard L. Pearson Professor of Global Conflict; Institute Director, The Pearson Institute for the Study and Resolution of Global Conflicts

### ALUMNI INCLUDE

#### Rahmatullah Hamraz, MAIDP'19

Consultant, Ministry of Finance Pashtani Watt, Kabul Afghanistan

#### Afua Osei, MBA/MPP'13

Co-Founder, She Leads Africa

#### Anne Richard, AM'84

Former Assistant Secretary of State for Population, Refugees, and Migration





## Politics and Government

The **Center for Effective Government** studies, debates, and promotes reforms that strengthen democratic institutions and improve the capacity of government to solve public problems.

The **Certificate in Political Campaigns** explores core analytic and technical skills used in modern political campaigns, as well as the social scientific principles to evaluate and apply these skills appropriately.

The **Certificate in Municipal Finance** prepares you for a career with local and state governments as well as private-sector financial and consulting firms.

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### NOTABLE FACULTY

#### Ethan Bueño de Mesquita

Sydney Stein Professor; Deputy Dean

#### William Howell

Sydney Stein Professor in American Politics; Professor, Department of Political Science at the College; Director, Center for Effective Government

#### Konstantin Sonin

John Dewey Distinguished Service Professor

### ALUMNI INCLUDE

#### Jaime Bellolio, MPP'10

Diputado, Chilean Congress

#### Senator Liz Krueger, AM'81

New York State, 28<sup>th</sup> Senate District

#### Mike Quigley, AM'85

US Representative, Illinois 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

## Urban Policy

**UChicago Urban Labs** works closely with partners and Harris faculty to address some of the most pressing challenges across five key dimensions of urban life: crime, education, health, poverty, and energy & environment.

The **Urban Policy Initiative** aims to organize urban policy studies already in progress at Harris, introduce new activities in concert with the diverse disciplinary resources of the University, and train students to help improve urban life as policy leaders.

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### NOTABLE FACULTY

#### Anjali Adukia

Assistant Professor

#### Christopher R. Berry

William J. and Alicia Townsend Friedman Professor; Academic Director, Center for Municipal Finance

#### Jeffrey Grogger

Irving Harris Professor in Urban Policy

#### Jens Ludwig

Edwin A. and Betty L. Bergman Distinguished Service Professor; Director, UChicago Crime Lab; Co-Director, Education Lab

### ALUMNI INCLUDE

#### Brenna Berman, AB'98, MPP'00

CEO, City Tech Collaborative

#### Kimberly Driggs, MPP'99

Executive Director, Washington Housing Conservancy

#### Elizabeth Kneebone, MPP'03

Research Director, UC Berkeley Turner Center for Housing Innovation



# **Learn to lead at Harris.**

We take your leadership development seriously.



# Leadership and Experiential Learning

Harris offers innovative initiatives to build your leadership skills.

## LEADERSHIP CREDENTIAL

**Hone key skills to be a policy leader.**



The Harris Leadership Credential is a professional development program that complements the rigorous Harris academic experience by immersing students in coordinated co-curricular experiences.

Through completion of the Leadership Credential, Harris students build a transferable skill set that is flexible across a variety of professional contexts, increase marketability for their job search, and prepare for real-world problem solving. By honing key skills while still at Harris, graduates are better positioned to forge their careers as national and international policy leaders.

Upon completion of the program, students will receive a transcript notation of the credential, a leadership cord at commencement, and recognition at Harris Accolades at the End of Year Gala. Students who are on track to earn the credential will also gain access to exclusive leadership development opportunities, events, and receptions throughout the year.

## RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

**Apply your learning to research projects.**



Research assistantships can support your investment and give you hands-on training to make an impact during your studies—and after graduation.

Harris students work as Research Assistants (RAs) and Teaching Assistants (TAs) with faculty and research centers across campus, such as the Behavioral Insights and Parenting Lab (BIP Lab), the Energy Policy Institute at the University of Chicago (EPIC), Urban Labs, and The Pearson Institute for the Study and Resolution of Global Conflicts.



**“Working as an RA in the Crime Lab was an amazing experience. I leveraged the fundamentals I learned as a CAPP student in the Harris core to contribute meaningfully to a project that I believe in.”**

**EMMA NECHAMKIN, MSCAPP'19**

Data Scientist, University of Chicago Urban Labs



## Policy education beyond the classroom.

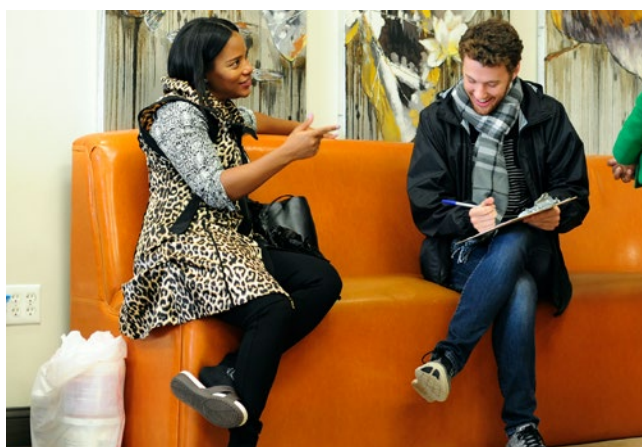


At Harris, your classroom isn't limited to four walls. With Harris Policy Labs, your policy education moves from theory to practice as you apply classroom learnings to policymaking in the field.

Guided by a Harris faculty member and a professional advisor, you'll learn to apply techniques and methodologies from your coursework to develop working solutions for real-world policy challenges.

Students work in teams to tackle issues faced by clients operating in a variety of policy areas across the public, nonprofit, and private sectors, from startups to established organizations. Some recent Policy Labs clients include:





“Policy Labs taught me to translate our client’s needs into specific questions and define a framework to provide answers that are timely, methodologically strong, and with actionable recommendations.”

**CLAUDIA FIGUEROA, MPP’16**

Research Fellow, Inter-American Development Bank



“My Policy Lab experience was incredibly helpful in preparing me for a career in public sector consulting. Collaborating with large state agencies to understand their problems, gathering the relevant data, conducting analysis, and then distilling the results into actionable steps is exactly what I do on a daily basis now.”

**LOGAN PRATT, MPP’16**

Government Sector Strategy & Operations Consultant, Deloitte



# Join our global community.

Harris connects visionaries across policy areas and around the world.



# Harris Public Policy

## 2019 Incoming Class Profile

The incoming class represents our largest and most diverse cohort yet.

### UNDER-REPRESENTED MINORITY STUDENTS



**25%**

U.S. incoming

**12%**

all incoming

### GLOBAL REPRESENTATION



**32**

U.S. states

**45**

languages

**42**

countries

**47%**

U.S. students

**53%**

international students

### U.S. REGIONAL REPRESENTATION

**52%**

Midwest

**20%**

South

**15%**

Northeast

**13%**

West

### EDUCATION



**14%**

already hold  
advanced degrees

### YEARS OF WORK EXPERIENCE

**40%**

0-1 years

**27%**

2-4 years

**33%**

5+ years



# Diversity and Inclusion



Harris is committed to fostering a community that engages students, faculty, and staff from a wide range of backgrounds and welcomes their varying perspectives.

Truly and thoroughly exploring policy issues requires the involvement and understanding of diverse viewpoints, experiences, and traditions including but not limited to: race, ethnicity, national origin, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability, religion, socio-economic background, and social or political belief.

Consistent with the University of Chicago's commitment to free expression, the Harris Public Policy community consists of numerous students, faculty, and staff involved in organizations that work to encourage inclusion. Some organizations that have special roles in promoting inclusion at Harris are:

- The Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Board
- Minorities in Public Policy Studies
- Black Action in Public Policy Studies
- The Student Diversity and Programming Group
- OutPolitik
- Harris Talks
- Women in Public Policy
- Latin America(n) Matters
- Asian Policy Forum



“We have a wonderfully diverse student body here at Harris and my job is to ensure that we have an environment that is inclusive and supportive of all students. We produce leaders who have the ability to make a profound impact on policy and improve lives all over the world. More importantly, we strive to produce leaders who leave Harris with a greater appreciation for diverse communities, people, and the stories they bring with them to Harris. This provides a richer experience for all of our students and hopefully helps shape the way we think about policy.”

**MICHELLE HOERETH**

Director, Diversity and Inclusion



“I am constantly inspired by the innovative thinking I witness from members of the Harris community, whether their interest is domestic or international, public finance or social enterprise, data analytics or community organizing. I’ve been surrounded by people from different income groups, religions, and ethnic backgrounds and that’s really helped shape who I am and who I learn from.”

**RANDI HALL, MPP’19**

Harris Student Government President, 2018–2019



# Harris Student Organizations



Join a diverse community of students from around the globe who will challenge and champion you.

At Harris, you can participate in more than 20 student organizations, from the Asian Policy Forum to Women in Public Policy. Harris Student Organizations are another outlet to make connections, put policy into practice, and develop and refine your leadership, teamwork, and project management skills.

Asian Policy Forum

Behavioral Economics  
in Public Policy

Committee on  
Muslims in Public Policy

Education Policy  
Student Association

Global Affairs and Public Policy

Harris Community Action

Harris Consulting Club

Harris Energy and  
Environment Association

Harris Student Government  
*(the official student government  
organization of Harris)*

Innovators in Social Policy

Inter-Policy School Summit

Latin America(n) Matters

Minorities in Public Policy Studies

OutPolitik

PhD Social

Urban Policy Student Association

Women in Public Policy

## Harris Student Organizations events and activities include:

### Women in Public Policy

Annual female faculty, staff, and student breakfast.

### Asian Students Internship Panel

Second-year students share internship advice with first years.

### Latin America(n) Matters

Service and learning trips to Mexico.

### Across the Aisle Dinner Series

Students step outside their ideological comfort zones and engage in challenging policy conversations that otherwise might be avoided.

### Happy Hours

Opportunities to build community outside the classroom.







# Your Global UChicago Community



For over a century, UChicago faculty and students have worked internationally and in collaboration with scholars from around the world. Today, that reach extends further than ever with hundreds of programs, initiatives, and partnerships in over 48 nations and on every continent.

Our global connections and interactions have been bolstered by University centers in **Paris** (established in 2004), **Beijing** (2010), and **Delhi** (2014), as well as our newest campus in **Hong Kong** (2018). These are in addition to the existing Chicago Booth program in **London**, the Oriental Institute's field house in **Luxor**, and our research organization in **Bangladesh**. Each location enhances our ability to support the extension of the intellectual life of the University on the global stage.

These destinations deepen the University's capacity for global scholarship, engage our more than 180,000 alumni, bring new voices to campus, and contribute to the intellectual, political, and cultural life of their local communities.



“Students of different cultures and backgrounds can gather in this school not only because we have the same courses and curriculum, but because we all somehow identify with the Harris approach. We all believe that policy is not about feeling good, it’s about doing good. The ideas that Harris holds are very solid, inclusive, and comprehensive.”

**HAOCHENG SHANG, MPP'20**

# The Mentor Program



From a global alumni network of more than 3,500 policy leaders, to an award-winning mentor program, to student organizations and happy hours, Harris offers many ways for you to grow your network, collaborate with your peers, and have fun.

Harris mentors, many of whom are alumni, call on their experience to help Harris students connect academic training with practical opportunities and to navigate the transition to professional careers.

Mentors are elected officials, CEOs, executive directors, policy advocates, and other professionals who freely give their time and insight to the important task of nurturing our next generation of policy leaders.



## DID YOU KNOW?

The Harris Mentor Program won the **2017 Outstanding Program Award** by the American College Personnel Association (ACPA) Commission for Student Involvement.

**Only one school nationwide** is awarded the honor, which recognizes the most innovative campus-conceived program that exceeds expectations in one of four functional areas.



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Chicago is the destination for students who are trying to make a difference in the world. Within this great university and our city, you will gain a one-of-a-kind experience, acquiring the necessary toolkit to influence crucial policy issues anywhere you choose to go.”

**Katherine Baicker**

Dean and Emmett Dedmon Professor,  
Harris School of Public Policy



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